GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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MOU FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF ENVIRONMENTALLY AND SOCIALLY SUSTAINABLE INITIATIVES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Governments of India and Canada have signed a Memorandum of Understanding for a project to support implementation of environmentally and socially sustainable initiatives in the Indian Industries; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JU DEV)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between Government of India and Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), Government of Canada on 13th March, 2003 for the Environmental Management Project, Phase-II of Confederation of Indian Industries (CII).Government of Canada will contribute Can $9 million to support this 5 year project to be implemented by the CII.The purpose of the Project is to enhance the environmentally and socially sustainable initiatives in Indian industry and the Central/State Governments. The Project is expected to strengthen the capacity of CII to provide guidance to Indian industry on targetted environmental and social issues, increase capacity of industry to incorporate environmental and social issues in doing business and enhance knowledge of State and Central Governments that would assist in the development and implementation of policy in key areas of environmental and social practices.